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TRANSMITTAL SHEET

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for the above-identified application please find:

- 1. Response to the Restriction Requirement (2 pgs.); and
- 2 Return Receipt Postcard.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on April 7, 2006, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction mailed March 7, 2006, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group II consisting of Claims 20-25, drawn to a bio-artificial liver device comprising an apparatus containing the cells of claim 1, and a method using said device for treating a subject having compromised liver function, classified in class 435, subclasses 395 and 400.

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